Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A control device that controls a fuel cell system to operate intermittently by switching between the between a power generation state and the and a power generation stop state of a fuel cell, wherein it is determined whether to stop the stop power generation operation during intermittent operation based on at least the least a temperature of a specific component that is external to the fuel cell and that contains moisture, from among the among a plurality of components constituting the fuel cell system.
- 2. (Currently Amended) The control device according to claim 1, wherein the specific component is at least one of a valve, a passage, and a humidifier arranged on a flow path for a fuel gas or an oxidizing gas.
- 3. (Previously Presented) The control device according to claim 1, wherein the temperature of the specific component is measured directly by a temperature sensor provided corresponding to the specific component.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The control device according to claim 1, wherein the temperature of the specific component is measured indirectly based on at least one of either the either an operating state of the fuel cell system or the or an external air temperature.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The control device according to elaim 1, claim 4, wherein in determining whether to stop or not, when it is determined to not stop, the power generation state of the fuel cell system is controlled so that the measured temperature exceeds a threshold value.
- 6. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell system having a control device that controls the fuel cell system to operate intermittently by switching between the a power generation state and the and a power generation stop state of a fuel cell, the fuel cell system comprising:

means for determining the risk a risk of freezing of a specific component that is external to the fuel cell and that contains moisture moisture, from among the among a plurality of components constituting the fuel cell system; and

control means that <u>forbids is configured to forbid</u> intermittent operation when it is determined that the risk of freezing is high.

7. (Currently Amended) A fuel cell system comprising,
a fuel cell which serves as an serves as a first electrical power supply source to
a consumption device which consumes electrical power;

an electricity storage device that stores electrical power generated by the fuel cell, which serves as an as a second electrical power supply source to a to the consumption device which consumes electrical power; and

the control device according to elaim 1; claim 1,

wherein the fuel cell system operates intermittently by switching between the <u>power generation</u> state and the <u>power generation</u> state of the fuel cell.

8. (Original) A fuel cell hybrid vehicle comprising the fuel cell system according to claim 7.